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Flood Proofing Buildings



Flooding on Flat Street in Brattleboro, 2011 (Photo: Kevin O'Connor)

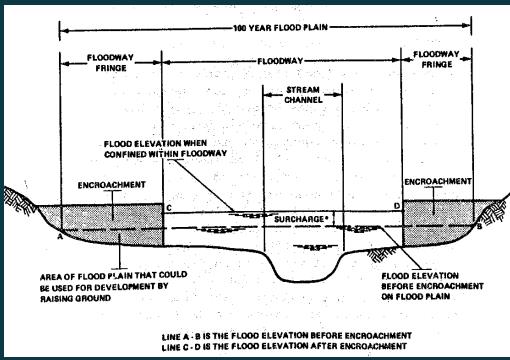
FEMA

- Guidelines for Federal Insurance
- Local zoning overlay district
- Plan review by ANR
- Fluvial Erosion Hazard District
 - ANR stream map
 - Model local zoning ordinance
 - No flood proofing



FEMA Inundation Regulations





- Flood Boundaries
 - Floodway
 - 100 yr Floodway Fringe
 - 500 yr Flood Plain
- Zoning Overlay District
 - Base Flood Elevation (100 yr)
- Federal Projects
 - Executive Order 11988 (500yr)



Dutton Farm Stand



Marina Restaurant

- Elevate First Fl to 1 Ft above BFE
 - Residential only option
- Wet Flood Proofing Basement
 - Allow inundation
 - Flood Vents
 - Flood resistant materials
 - Mechanical & Electrical
 - Flotation

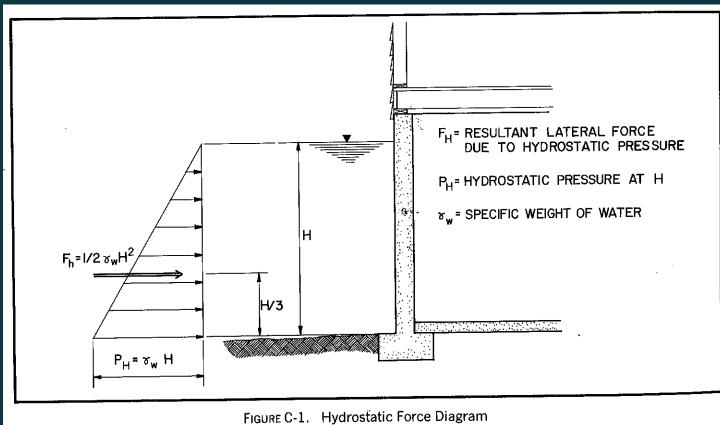




New England Youth Theater

- Dry Flood Proofing
- Protect the structure to 1 ft above BFE and keep water out.





Dry Flood Proofing

Hydrostatic Forces



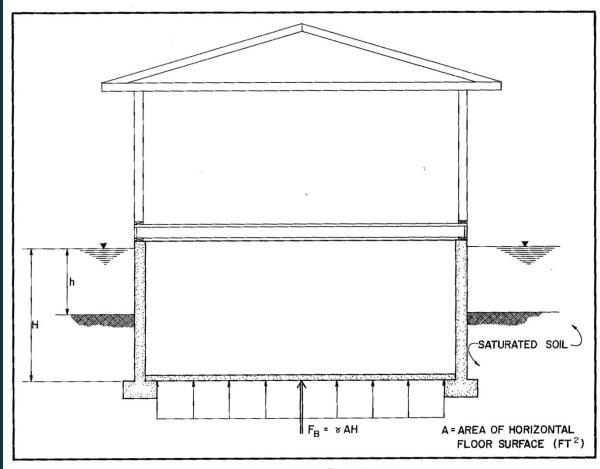


FIGURE C-2. Buoyancy Force Diagram

- Dry Flood Proofing
- Hydrostatic Forces
- Buoyancy Force
 Flood Duration
 Seepage rate
 Slab Dead load
 Boat Design





Grafton Town Garage

Dry Flood Proofing

Hydrostatic Forces

Buoyancy Force

Hydrodynamic Force

10 fps = 1.5 ft

Impact Loads

Normal = 1000 lbs

 $\overline{Special} = 100 \, lbs/ft$

Extreme = KYAG

Wind

Soil Loads





Cultural Intrigue

Dry Flood Proofing

Perimeter wall
Flood gates
Water Tight Concrete
Flood Wall
Elevate Toilets
Floor Drain check valve

Elevate Mech. & Elec.

Standby Generator
Fuel Tank anchorage
Operation plan



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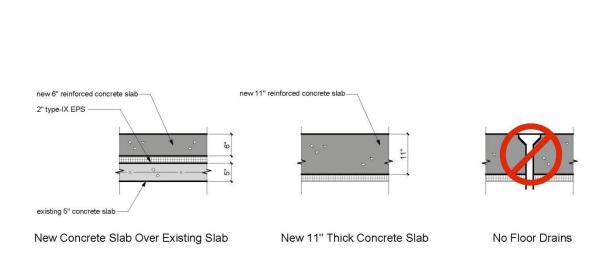
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Substantial Damage/Improvement



Melrose Terrace, West Brattleboro, during Hurricane Irene

- Market Value
- Cost of Work < 50%



Market Value (Building Only)



Melrose Terrace, West Brattleboro, during Hurricane Irene

- Assessed Value
- Appraised Value
- Actual Cost Value



Cost of Work (3 Years)

- Excludes clean-up
- Excludes site work
- Excludes some code-required work
- Market value for donations/premiums



Historic Building Flood Proofing

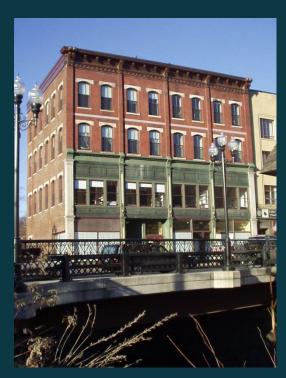
National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

Floodplain Management Bulletin Historic Structures FEMA P-467-2 May 2008

- Exception for Historic Structures
- Subsidized Flood Insurance through NFIP
- (1) Exclusion from substantial improvement
- (2) Variance



Historic Building Flood Proofing



The Wilder Building after rebuilding



FEMA Variance

"...the proposed repair will not preclude the structure from continued designation and is the minimum necessary..."



References

- FEMA Technical Bulletin 7-93, "Flood Proofing Non-Residential Buildings."
- ASCE 24-05, "Flood-Resistant Design & Construction."
- FEMA P-75B, "Substantial Improvement/Substantial Damage Desk Reference."
- FEMA P-467 Historic Structures



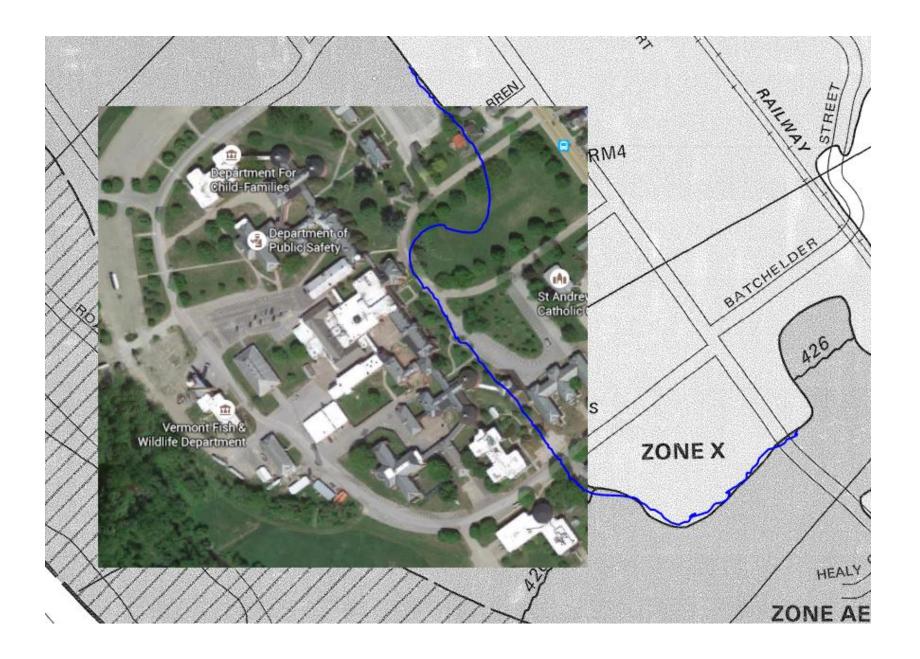
FLOOD RESISTANT DESIGN ENGINEERING VENTURES PC CASE STUDIES

- Bob Neeld, Professional Engineer
- President Engineering Ventures, PC Burlington, VT and Lebanon, NH

- Waterbury State Office Complex 2015
- Burnham Hall, Lincoln, VT 2007

FLOOD RESISTANT DESIGN

- Waterbury State Office Complex
- Severely Damaged by Irene Flooding



FLOOD RESISTANT DESIGN STRATEGIES WATERBURY OFFICE COMPLEX

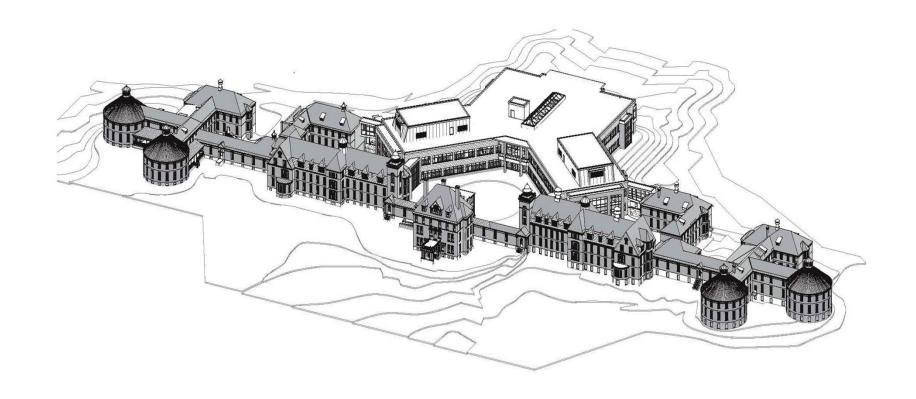
- Demolition of severely damaged structures
- Dry flood proofing of historic core
- New structures elevated above flood zone
- Cut and fill configured for no-rise in flood elev
- Site Resiliancy- Riparian plantings and grass swales

Existing Conditions



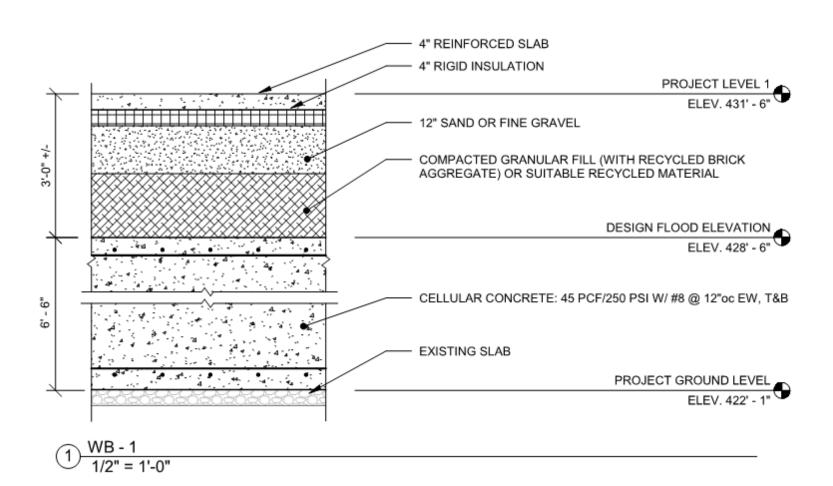
PROPOSED CONDITIONS







Fill at Historic Core





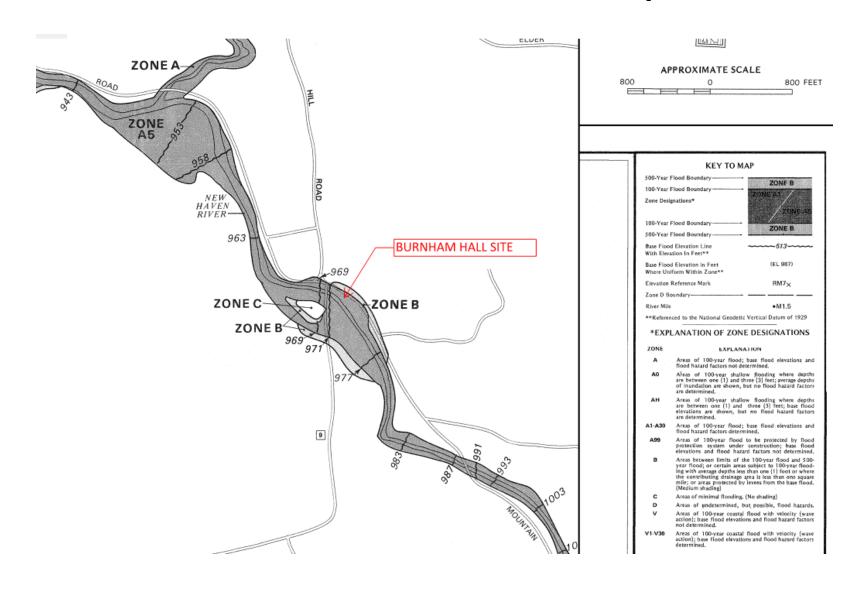
Flood Resistant Design

- Burnham Hall, Lincoln Vermont
- 2007 Design and construction project

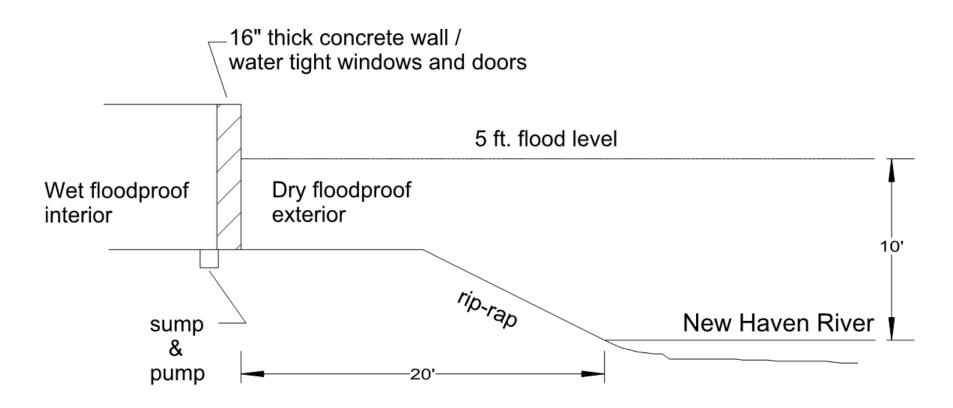




Firmette Flood Map



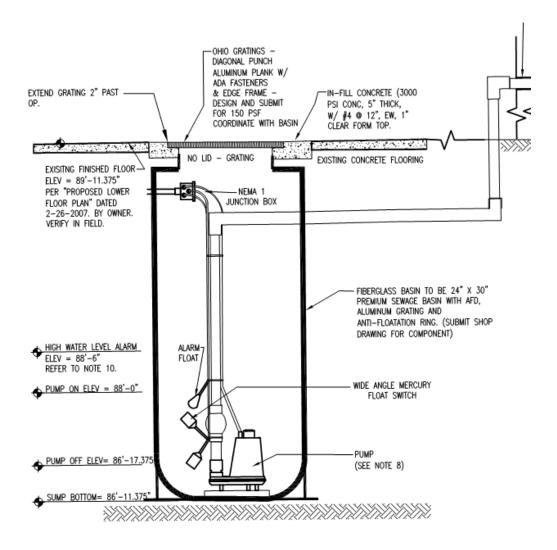
Schematic Section



Hybrid dry/wet floodproofing (wet floodproofing with mitigation)

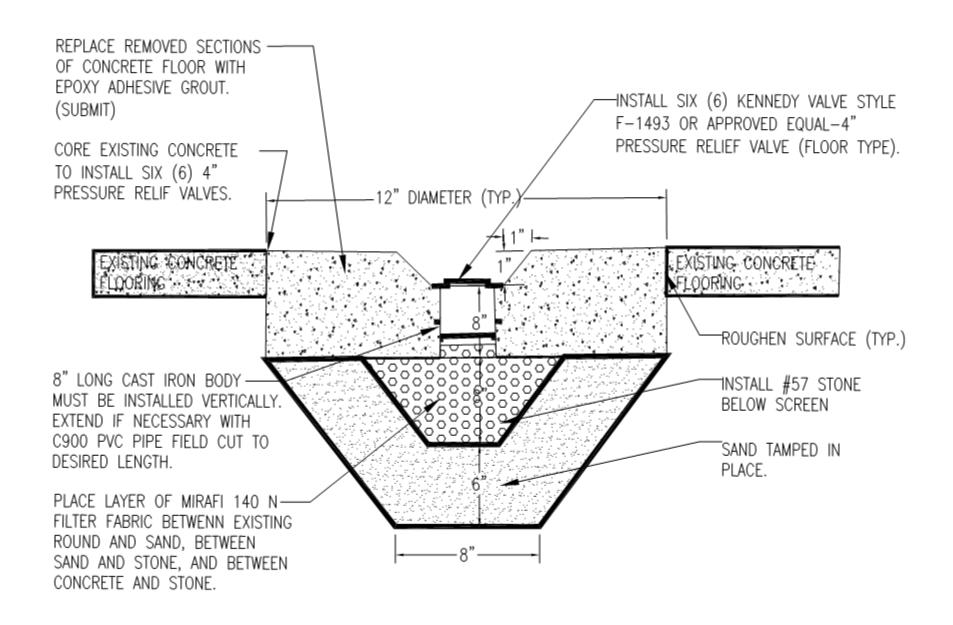
- Slide gates for windows and doors
- 16" concrete walls- adequate for hydrostatic pressure.
- Evaluate water movement through soil
- Pressure relief valves in floor slab
- Knife Valve to close off sewer service
- Sump pump to minimize infiltration depth





SECTION VIEW

SUMP DETAIL





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